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Seeing stars

Gen. Doug Brown, commander of U.S. Special Operations Command, and Kathy Wooley pin a third star on Lt. Gen. Mike Wooley, commander of Air Force Special Operations Command. General Brown promoted General Wooley in a ceremony at Hurlburt Field, July 30.

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Carlotta Holley

Hurlburt welcomes 16th SOW vice commander again

By 2nd Lt. Amy Gonzales
Public Affairs

On June 28, the 16th Special Operations Wing welcomed its new vice commander, Col. Timothy Hale.

Colonel Hale came to Hurlburt Field from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington D.C. Before attending the yearlong school, Colonel Hale was the deputy commander at the 463rd Operations Group, Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark.

Growing up in Mascoutah, Ill., which is just south of Scott Air Force Base, Colonel Hale remembers being fascinated by airplanes.

"I pretty much grew up as the kid out in right field getting hit in the head with the ball because I was watching airplanes all the time," he said.

Eventually, Colonel Hale realized his dream of flying, when he received his commission into the Air Force in 1980. He's flown several different aircraft during a career that's taken him to bases all over country and world. But, he never thought he would be where he is today.

"As most senior leaders will tell you, I never expected to make it past major. Thank God I did! I'm having the time of my life," Colonel Hale said. "It's a great job with great people. Everything you do has a direct impact on the mission."

As the vice commander, Colonel

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REDHORSE members earn Bronze Stars

By Airman James Dickens
Public Affairs

Two 823rd REDHORSE Squadron members received Bronze Star Medals during a brief ceremony here, July 30.

Master Sgt. Don Petersen and Tech. Sgt. Adam Henson were presented the medals by Lt. Gen. Walter Buchanan, 9th Air Force commander, during his visit to Hurlburt Field and the REDHORSE unit.

Sergeants Petersen and Henson were honored with the Bronze Star Medal for their engagement in ground operations against the enemy in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. During this period, they were exposed to extreme danger from hostile gun fire and terrorist attack.

Both were thrilled to be recognized by their squadron, but gave most of the credit to their team.

"Receiving this medal is the greatest honor I've been given during my 20 years in the Air Force," said Sergeant Petersen. "But, there were 31 guys on this team, and each of them deserves a Bronze Star for what they did."

"I'm very proud and honored to have received the medal, but I wish everyone on the team could've had the same recognition," said Tech. Sgt. Adam Henson, REDHORSE. "It wouldn't have been possible without the guys I had with me, so all my thanks goes out to my troops."

After answering a few questions from unit members, the general applauded their success and encouraged them to continue to keep up the good work.

"The more you do, the more you're able to do," the general said, "and that's even more so true for civil engineers."

Report crime

To report suspicious or crime-related activities, call the law enforcement desk at 884-6423.

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Weekend forecast

Friday – Partly cloudy,
High 90 Low 69

Saturday – Sunny
High 91 Low 68

Sunday – Partly cloudy,
High 92 Low 70

www.hurlburt.af.mil/milonly/weather/5day



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However, if you're not satisfied with the answer you receive, feel free to give me a call at 884-OPEN (6736), or e-mail your concerns to commando@hurlburt.af.mil.



Col. O.G. Mannon

Feedback, mentorship critical in shaping tomorrow's leaders

1st Lt. AJ Lugo
16th Mission Support Squadron

Gen. George Patton once proclaimed, "We fight wars with equipment, but we win wars with people!"

That statement is even more applicable today, as we fight the forces of terrorism to protect our homeland. The development of our professional force is the most critical task at hand. Each supervisor makes a major impact on the outcome of this development, by providing effective feedback and fostering mentoring relationships.

During the Wing Climate Assessment, 16th Special Operations Wing members revealed a lack of effective feedback and mentorship relationships. Simply stated, feedback sessions were "pencil-whipped," and supervisory interest in one's personal development was non-existent. These concerns were expressed by both officer and enlisted personnel.

Dr. Kenneth Blanchard, a leadership guru, credits feedback as the breakfast of champions. Successful individuals thrive on feedback for motivation and direction. Through effective feedback, supervisors facilitate that motivation and emphasize the subordinate's importance to the mission.

The Air Force has mandated formal performance feedback to be conducted at specific points in the reporting period. However, the quality of those sessions is paramount; it's all a matter of fundamentals and

taking responsibility.

Each respective feedback form contains several key performance topics, which should be addressed to assist the evaluator. The form was developed to be a communication tool that contained useful, handwritten information.

Initially, a supervisor must set the conditions for success by communicating specific and realistic expectations, but it shouldn't stop there. The initial session also provides an opportunity to discuss professional and personal goals.

At the mid-term session, the subordinate receives honest and accurate assessments based on a comparison between set expectations and observable behavior.

Informal feedback sessions strengthen the supervisor's caring attitude and leadership involvement. Conducting the occasional "chat" can't be underestimated.

Effective performance feedback may take time and energy, but it's a leadership obligation that can't be deferred.

Mentorship is another valuable, interpersonal process that directly affects personal development. Typically, a mentoring relationship is defined as a senior-ranking member who monitors and guides the career of a junior ranking member. Often, the immediate supervisor also takes on the role of a mentor.

Without exception, mentorship interaction must contain certain elements to include professionalism,

trust and commitment. Effective mentors develop professional and personal development plans based on the needs of the individual being mentored, to attain established goals; they're completely involved and dedicated to the individual's success.

Specific goals can include obtaining a college degree or becoming the next Airman of the year. In each case, the mentor defines the plan and seeks buy-in from the individual; this unwritten contract sets into motion a blueprint for success, and thus, both parties become accountable to goal achievement.

However, the mentorship relationship isn't confined to the formal supervisory structure. Many times, the front-line supervisor may not have the experience or skills necessary to assist the individual.

Mentors and supervisors, in concert, provide the tools, direction and game plan to help dreams become a reality. The beauty of mentoring is that the mentor's hindsight becomes the individual's foresight.

Colonel O.G. Mannon, 16th SOW commander, is committed to taking care of the Commandos throughout this wing. He expects all supervisors, officer and enlisted alike, to play an active role in the development of their troops.

Performance feedback and mentorship are leadership responsibilities. Both require an investment in tomorrow's leaders, and as we execute the Global War on Terrorism, it's an investment we need to make.

Due to a recent change to the base traffic regulation, use of cellular phones in vehicles is restricted. Effective immediately, drivers using cellular phones must use a hands-free device. A hands-free device is classified as a speakerphone or an ear-piece, used in one ear only. Drivers not following this policy are subject to receive a traffic ticket, which will result in three points being assessed to their base driving record. The reason for this policy is to reduce the number of distracted drivers and traffic accidents. For more information, call 884-6185.

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DUI Tracker

July 30 - Aug. 5: 0 DUIs

This year: 21

DUIs for 2003: 54

Last DUI: 16th Special Operations Squadron, July 26

Airmen Against Drunk Driving

Don't Drink and Drive. Call 884-8844

Potential saves this year: 678

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As of Feb. 15, individual groups get a down day for 60 consecutive days without a DUI. Totals are current as of Aug. 5.

Congratulations to the 16th MDG and 16th SOW staff agencies for more than 120 days without receiving a DUI.



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Hale said his number one responsibility is to support Col. O.G. Mannon, 16th SOW commander. Colonel Hale helps direct and guide troops to get the job done and acts as the commander's voice in his absence. In addition to supporting Airmen at home and abroad, he sits in on and chairs a number of committees and councils on base.

"What we're doing on most of those councils is working issues for the commander to provide him with solid, actionable decision points to make things better for the people here at Hurlburt," Colonel Hale said. "That's what it's all about."

However, this isn't Colonel Hale's first tour of duty here at Hurlburt Field. Twenty-two years ago, he was assigned as a pilot to the 8th Special Operations Squadron. As one can imagine, the base has undergone many changes since then.

"Had you asked anyone 22 years ago

where Hurlburt Field was, only a very small part of the Air Force community could have told you," Colonel Hale said.

"Now, everyone knows where Hurlburt Field is."

Not only has the reputation of the base grown since his first assignment here, it has grown physically as well. According to the colonel, the Hurlburt Field Base Exchange was located where the mini mall is now, the medical clinic was located where the 720th Special Tactics Group is now, and there was no commissary.

The substantial growth of Hurlburt Field over the past two decades and the continued capital improvement being done all over the base is also what Colonel Hale sees as a challenge to the wing.

"We're doing a facelift of physical facilities on this base, while we've got people constantly deploying and redeploying from the war. So that, to me, is probably the biggest challenge I see for the wing: prioritizing time, while we

work to prioritize the limited resources," he said.

Colonel Hale says that the challenges of growth can be overcome by attacking them through organization. This includes doing building transfers and closures so that they don't overlap or conflict with one another.

"We normally have a good portion of our hometown work force deployed, so we've really got to work and concentrate on not breaking the backs of people who are home, as we make those moves across the base to make things better," he said.

Even with all the construction and changes, Colonel Hale is excited to be back at both Hurlburt Field and the Special Operations community. He says the high focus on the mission is very refreshing.

"That's what I love about Hurlburt. It's still the same Special Operations family it was 22 years ago. It's what keeps people here and coming back – that feeling of family. You never get it out of your blood."

Largest AF experiment concludes, aims for new war-fighting techniques

By Vanessa Adame
Public Affairs

The Joint Expeditionary Force Experiment 2004, the Air Force's largest experiment, concluded today after two weeks of testing. It was the final phase of five large-scale experiments designed to explore new and emerging war-fighting capabilities.

Approximately 330 Hurlburt Field Airmen and local contractors joined about 3,000 others at Nellis, Kirtland and Vandenberg Air Force Bases in a computer-generated battlefield to test new concepts and initiatives and perhaps, face challenges that may not have been confronted in the past.

JEFX 04, estimated at approximately \$44 million, was a Chief of Staff of the Air Force-sponsored, major command-executed series of experiments that combined planners, operational and system architects and engineers, industry representatives, assessors and war fighters in a multi-dimensional environment.

Fifteen new initiatives were integrated into JEFX 04, each of which underwent careful evaluation into the biennial experiment headquartered at Nellis AFB.

"One of the themes we examined was the problems we had in air and ground component during Operation Iraqi Freedom," said Lt. Col. William Jones, 505th Command and Control Wing.

"Unlike an exercise, this was an experiment and we had to keep reminding everyone that it was okay to fail," Colonel Jones said.

In the experiment, participants executed scenarios to ensure models behaved the way they should. Along the way, JEFX participants conversed with each other through Internet chat rooms to discuss the way certain methods performed.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Chris Jordan

Service members work through the Joint Expeditionary Force Experiment at the 505th Command and Control Wing operations floor, July 20.

"The idea is to take these new technologies, and if they're worthy, we'll try to transition them to fielding in about 18 months," Colonel Jones said.

The experiment also integrated other critical lessons learned in recent operations in Afghanistan and Iraq, including an improved ability to track friendly forces, the development of machine-to-machine processes for air-support requests, and streamlined coordination between the Combined Force Air and Space Component commander and the Combined Force Land Component commander.

Initiatives selected for JEFX 04 are expected to endure a rigorous assessment process.

The final report will provide recommendations on capabilities the Air Force should invest in to develop revolutionary war-fighter capability.

Spotlight on...

Staff Sgt. Rochelle Saldana

Rank/Duty Title: Staff Sergeant/NCO in charge circuit actions

Organization: 16th Communications Squadron

Hometown: Waipahu, HI

Hobbies: Playing chess, body boarding and ballet

Family: Single

Contribution to the mission:

Sergeant Saldana has filled an E-7 billet for the past two months while her supervisor is deployed in support of operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

During her tenure as NCOIC, she led an effort to implement a \$1.2 million land mobile radio system providing digital quality command and control to Hurlburt Field LMR users.

As an example of her extraordinary leadership and commitment, Sergeant Saldana has also been elected as the 16th CS professional performer of the first quarter of 2004.

(Editor's Note: The Commando highlights Airmen, junior NCOs, company grade officers, Department of Defense civilians and volunteers in units who do a great job, and should receive day-to-day recognition. Supervisors can call the 16th Special Operations Wing Public Affairs Office at 884-7464 for more information on nominating an individual for the "Spotlight on..." column.)

Changing out MXG leadership

By 2nd Lt. Amy Gonzales
Public Affairs

In a change-of-command ceremony in Freedom Hangar July 29, Col. John Cooper accepted command of the 16th Maintenance Group from Col. Richard Beery.

Col. O.G. Mannon, 16th Special Operations Wing commander, presided over the ceremony and awarded the Legion of Merit to

Colonel Beery because of his large list of military accomplishments.

"As we say our farewells to Rick and Vickie," Colonel Mannon said, "we really need to put into perspective what they did for us. He's at the end of a very successful and very long command tour – 31 months."

From January 2002 until September 2002, Colonel Beery commanded the largest logistics group in the Air Force.

Then, in October 2002, he took command of the largest maintenance group in the Air Force.

During those 31 months, Colonel Beery led more than 3,100 Airmen, maintained 76 aircraft and oversaw a \$92 million annual budget – all while one-third of his troops were continuously deployed. In 2003, the group was a finalist for the Air Force Dudley Sharp Maintenance Excellence Award.

Colonel Mannon also emphasized to the troops gathered in formation that the change-of-command was just as important for them as it was

to the colonels sitting on the stage.

"The Airmen are the ones that pull the weight," Colonel Mannon said. "They're the ones who work on the airplanes in the cold, wet weather and in all types of environments. And they're the ones who make our command so successful."

When Colonel Beery took the podium to give his farewell address, he too was quick to give his troops credit where it was due.

"You're the very best," Colonel Beery said. "You have a record of success that speaks for itself."

Colonel Beery continued to extend his "thank you's" to both his immediate and Commando families. Before ending his remarks, he had a parting gift for Colonel Cooper.

"I leave the cell phone and the keys to the office on the podium for my successor," Colonel Beery joked.

Before assuming command of the 16th Maintenance Group, Colonel Cooper was the deputy commander of the 3rd Maintenance Group at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. However, this isn't Colonel Cooper's first tour of duty at Hurlburt Field. He was assigned here as a munitions maintenance officer when he began his Air Force career in 1983.

As he finished his first address to the Airmen of the group, Colonel Cooper expressed his pleasure of being back at the home of Air Force Special Operations.

"Men and women of the 16th Maintenance Group, Linda and I and our family are excited to be part of the Air Force Special Operations Command team," Colonel Cooper said.

"I look forward to working with you to provide those skilled maintainers and high-quality aircraft to conduct the Air Force Special Operations mission wherever, whenever," he continued.

Meet the new commander

Rank/Name: Lt. Col. Arthur "Brian" Trigg

Organization: Air Force Special Operations Command Regional Supply Squadron commander

Hometown: Born in West Point, N.Y., but calls Fort Walton Beach home, as a former military dependent, who completed high school locally

Off-duty time is for: Family, outdoors activities, going to the beach, boating and home improvement projects

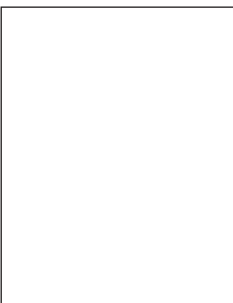
Previous Assignment: 16th Supply Squadron commander

Organizational Goals: Provide flexible, responsive supply support for AFSOC, and combat search and rescue warfighter requirements globally 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year – there is/will always be someone on duty to work aircraft and weapon systems support. Order, closely monitor, manage, follow up and report supply chain requirements for AFSOC low density/high demand fixed wing and rotary fleets, while providing dedicated logistics reach-back capability. Ensure Special Operations Fleet advocacy is equal to or better

than Combat Air Forces/Mobility Air Forces, with wholesale sources of supply on behalf of our field units and unique missions

Work Philosophy:

Warfighter and deployed ops considerations come first. In parallel, take care of our dedicated folks who make the "tip of the spear" AFSOC mission successful. Maintain a delicate balance between developing, challenging and recognizing our outstanding Airmen, who support day-to-day missions in today's reality of a high ops tempo and time definite requirements of the Special Ops mission. Foster a spirit of teamwork, esprit-de-corps and bond of trust within our unit and with those we support daily. Have active involvement from leadership in work centers.



Lt. Col.
Arthur "Brian"
Trigg

News Briefs

New AF uniform changes

The latest Air Force uniform changes approved by the uniform board in late June are as follows:

- The lightweight blue jacket is authorized for indoor wear, with the option of having the Air Force symbol embroidered on it

- Establish a standardized Air Force physical training uniform

- Authorize the black scarf only (white, gray, olive drab options are eliminated)

- Allow black web/riggers belts with nondescript buckles with battle dress uniforms

- Eliminate the requirement to wear a tie/tab with short-sleeved shirt/blouse, while traveling on commercial airlines

- Backpacks can be worn over both shoulders. Authorize only solid-color black with Air Force blue uniform combinations; black, olive drab or woodland camouflage with BDUs

- Allow women to wear small, black spherical earrings

- A-line skirts are optional items

- Authorize one small, black, nondescript PDA, pager or cell phone at a time to be worn on the uniform belt

- Allow men to cleanly shave their heads or have military 'high and tight' haircuts

- Allow conservative ornamentation on nonprescription sunglasses/eyeglasses

Operation Blue to Green

Under Operation Blue to Green, a new Department of Defense program intended to rebalance the size of the military, Airmen and Sailors can continue their service by transferring to the active-duty Army or Army Reserve.

The program comes at a time when the Air Force plans to reduce its force by 20,000 Airmen and the Navy to cut 8,000 Sailors, while Army strength may see a significant increase by numbers not yet determined.

The program will focus on grades E-1 through E-5, but other grades including commissioned officers and cadets will be considered to meet Army needs.

Basic requirements of the Operation Blue to Green program are:

- Be physically fit

- Meet Army height and weight standards

- Eight-year service obligation still applies

- Minimum term of service is three years

- Must have approved DD Form 368, Request for Conditional Release

The Army plans to give bonuses to Airmen and Sailors whose skills convert to the Army's most-needed military occupational specialties. Those transferring will have no break in service and won't lose 'banked' Montgomery GI Bill benefits.

Air Force approves OEF service medal

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas – The Air Force has authorized wear of the Humanitarian Service medal for Operation Enduring Freedom.

During OEF, hundreds of Airmen participated in the packaging and delivery of nearly 2.5 million individual human daily rations that were airdropped to beleaguered Afghans.

The medal recognizes this and other humanitarian operations that took place from Oct. 7, 2001 to May 31, 2002.

To qualify for the medal, Airmen must have been individually assigned or attached to a unit participating in the humanitarian efforts and have provided direct, hands-on participation in the relief actions that affected locations within the land area, airspace, or waters of Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Pakistan, Gulf of Oman, or the Arabian Sea designated as 20 degrees north latitude and

west of 68 degrees longitude.

Other Airmen, such as aircrews, who may be approved are those who were in direct support of OEF humanitarian operations from stateside locations, or deployed overseas and were assigned to or working from one of the following locations: Combined Air Operations Center, Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudi Arabia; Regional Air Movement Control Center, Al Udeid, Qatar; 437th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron or 37th Airlift Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany; 351st Air Refueling Squadron, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, United Kingdom; 2nd Space Operations Squadron, Falcon Air Force Base, Colo.; 315th Airlift Wing, Charleston AFB, S.C.; 62nd and 446th Airlift Wings, McChord AFB, Wash.

For more information, call the military personnel flight's awards and decorations section at 884-2701.

Tips to avoid carjacking

Below are some tips you can use to minimize your chances of being the victim of a car thief:

- Never leave your car running unattended
- Never leave any keys in the car or ignition, inside a locked garage or in hide-a-key boxes
- Always roll up your windows and lock the car
- Never leave valuables in plain view – put them in the trunk out of sight
- Always park in high-traffic, well-lit areas when possible
- Install a mechanical device that locks the steering wheel column or brakes
- Investigate the purchase of a vehicle theft tracking/security system, especially if you own one of the frequently stolen model vehicles
- Never leave personal identification documents, vehicle ownership title or credit cards in your vehicle
- Copy your license plate and vehicle information numbers on a card and keep them with you

For more information, visit http://www.lapdonline.org/bldg_safer_comms/prevention_main.htm

The Eagle Eyes program is an anti-terrorism initiative that enlists the eyes and ears of Air Force members and citizens in the war on terrorism. The program provides a network of local, 24-hour phone numbers to call whenever a suspicious activity is observed. For more information on the program, visit <http://public.afosi.amc.af.mil/eagle/index.asp>.



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Hotline circumvents chain of command

WASHINGTON – Department of Defense Inspector Gen. Joseph Schmitz is reminding service members there are a number of ways to report suspected incidents of wrongdoing outside their chains of command.

His office runs the DOD Hotline Program. Service members and civilians who wish to report incidents without going through their chains of command can take full advantage of this program.

Those with suspicions can call (800) 424-9098, commercial (703) 604- 8569, DSN 664-8569 or report concerns by e-mail athotline@dodig.osd.mil. Service members and civilians can also mail their concerns to:

The Defense Hotline

The Pentagon

Washington, D.C., 20301-1900

The push to inform service members of this option grew out of the recent series of Senate hearings about prisoner abuse in Iraq. Senators believed there was no way for service members to report wrongdoing outside their chains of command. For more information, go to the inspector general's Web site at <http://www.dodig.osd.mil/>. (AFPN)

Week in History

The following is a list of extraordinary events that occurred in military history this week:

Aug. 1, 1960 – Strategic Air Command's 43rd Bombardment Wing at Carswell Air Force Base, Texas accepted the first operational B-58 Hustler medium bomber. The first supersonic bomber, the delta-wing aircraft flew at twice the speed of sound and can be refueled in-flight.



Crew members of B-29 "Enola Gay"

Aug. 3, 1977 – Cadet 1st Class Edward Rice Jr. of Yellow Springs, Ohio, became the first African-American commander of the Cadet Wing at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Aug. 5, 1950 – Maj. Louis Seville was killed in action flying a severely damaged F-51 Mustang against an enemy force concentration in Korea. Major Seville was the first member of the recently-created U.S. Air Force to be awarded the Medal of Honor.

Aug. 6, 1945 – B-29 "Enola Gay" dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan.

Aug. 7, 1990 – Operation Desert Shield began in response to Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait. The operation's immediate objective was to protect Saudi Arabia from Iraqi aggression and build up allied military strength.

Airman Against Drunk Driving is a 24 hours a day, seven days a week alternative to drinking and driving. The program offers a free and confidential ride home. Call **884-8844**.



Reserve forces can seek medical, dental reimbursement

WASHINGTON – National Guard and Reserve members, who paid their medical and dental bills and saved their receipts, may now seek reimbursement from Tricare, officials of the military health-care system announced July 23.

Officials said the system would begin processing medical and dental claims for Guard and Reserve members, who meet certain eligibility requirements. Only Guardsmen and Reservists issued a “delayed-effective-date active-duty orders” for more than 30 days in support of a contingency operation and their families, may be eligible to have medical claims reimbursed.

According to Tricare officials, only those medical expenses incurred during the service member’s “early eligibility” period – up to 60 days before reporting to active duty – from Nov. 6, 2003 to now are eligible for reimbursement.

This temporary entitlement is part of the Department of Defense’s 2004 Temporary Reserve Health Benefit Program, which sought to enhance benefits for Guard and Reserve troops called to active duty.

Normally, under Tricare guidelines, Reserve and Guard members can’t be enrolled into Tricare until they reach their final duty location.

The temporary entitlement gives them access upon receipt of activation orders, up to 60 days in advance.

Last year, President George Bush signed legislation authorizing three new temporary provisions for Guardsmen and Reservists and their families that provided enhanced access to Tricare for a limited time during contingency activation. The provisions were made retroactive to Nov. 6, 2003.

A second provision temporarily extended eligibility for Tricare benefits to 180 days for those Guardsmen and Reservists, who separated from active-duty status Nov. 6, 2003 through Dec. 31, 2004.

The third provision extends Tricare medical benefits to Reserve-component sponsors and family members, who are either unemployed or employed, but not eligible for employer-provided health coverage.

All temporary provisions will end Dec. 31. However, the measure did include three provisions for permanent health benefits: making benefit counselors available for Guard and Reserve members in each Tricare region; authorizing medical and dental screening and care for members alerted for mobilization; and providing Tricare eligibility for Reserve officers pending orders to active duty following commissioning.

Guardsmen, Reservists and their family members must be registered in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System and be eligible for Tricare to qualify for the temporary benefit.

In order to apply for reimbursement, eligible members must submit a Tricare claim form, a copy of their itemized bill, an explanation of benefits and proof of payment to their regional Tricare claims processor.

Claims processing instructions and a downloadable Tricare claims forms, *DD Form 2642*, are available at local Tricare service centers and Tricare regional contractors, or may be downloaded from the Tricare Web site. **(AFPN)**

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Voting:

Not just a right – an Airman's duty

By Chief Master Sgt. Manny Sarmina
Air Force Surgeon General Office

BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE, D.C. – “We the people” have a sacred obligation to safeguard “for ourselves and our posterity” the blessings of liberty our forefathers fought so hard to achieve. And the most fundamental obligation is the responsibility of every eligible citizen to vote.

This November, many Americans will take part in the democratic process by going to the polls to exercise their right to vote.

Sadly, many more won't. In fact, if this year's election turnout follows historical trends, more than half of the voting-age population won't bother to vote.

At stake this fall are the offices of the president and vice president of the United States, one-third of the seats in the U.S. Senate, the entire House of Representatives, 13 state governorships, and a host of other state and local offices, initiatives and issues.

Judging by voting statistics, “we the people” take our right to vote for granted. But, the idea that the people should choose their leaders was once very radical in a world ruled by monarchies and oligarchies.

Enlightened philosophers like John Locke and Thomas Jefferson, however, argued that self-government is a natural right of every person, and that governments derive their powers from the consent of the governed.

Our fundamental belief in the right of self-government, so eloquently expressed in the Declaration of Independence, and achieved by the blood of patriots in the American Revolution and on every battle-

field since, is the cornerstone of our American political system.

The U.S. Constitution provides the framework through which our political system works, and guarantees each state a “republican form of government;” a republic being a political system in which power resides in citizens who are entitled to vote for representatives responsible to them.

Elections, therefore, are a crucial component of our representative democracy.

The right of all citizens to vote, however, didn't come automatically, but evolved gradually – often painfully – over the course of two centuries.

Other people such as women, blacks, American Indians and even members of certain religious groups couldn't vote.

The framers of the Constitution couldn't agree on who should be given the right to vote, so they deferred to the states. The Constitution, therefore, left to each state government the power to decide who could vote. Many of the early battles over the right to vote took place at the state level.

Overall, the struggle to achieve universal suffrage for all Americans was a long, often painful one, attained only by the heroic efforts of many Americans who understood the importance of free elections in a representative democracy.

The struggle for universal suffrage reminds us that those things worth fighting for are also worth remembering and, more importantly, exercising.

The right to vote is a symbol of our equality and the true source of our liberty. We should never forget what it took to win the right to vote and how important it is to the workings of a free and democratic society.

By voting, you're not only ensuring your voice is heard, you're paying homage to those brave Americans who struggled to win that right for all Americans.

Amid the celebrations for our nation's 228th birthday, let us renew our commitment and pride in our sacred liberties, our governmental institutions and our vibrant political system.

Apathy is never an excuse not to vote. Your vote counts, so make sure it's there to be counted. **(AFPN)**



Ten things youth can do to stop crime, violence

- Settle arguments with words – not fists or weapons
 - Learn safe routes for walking in the neighborhood and know good places to seek help
 - Trust your feelings, and if there's a sense of danger, get away fast.
 - Report any crimes or suspicious actions to the police, school authorities and parents
 - Don't open the door for or go anywhere with anyone you and your parents don't know and trust
 - If someone tries to abuse you, say no, get away and tell a trusted adult
 - Don't use alcohol and other drugs, and stay away from places and people associated with them
 - Stick with friends who are also against violence and drugs and stay away from known trouble spots
 - Get involved to make school safer and better – having poster contests against violence, holding anti-drug rallies, counseling peers, settling disputes peacefully. If there's no program, help start one!
 - Help younger children learn to avoid being crime victims
- For more safety tips, visit <http://myfloridalegal.com/kids/kids.html>.

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WAPS study list now available

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas – Promotion-eligible enlisted members can now find which materials to study for the 2005 testing cycles.

The most current Weighted Airman Promotion System Catalog, which lists the materials used by test writers to develop the 2005 promotion tests, is now available on the Air Force Personnel Center Web site.

The catalog lists study references for those testing for staff through chief master sergeant.

WAPS Career Development Course study

material, when required, is automatically shipped to promotion-eligible Airmen by the Air Force Institute for Advanced Distributed Learning.

AFIADL will begin shipping the CDCs in September for people testing for staff, technical and master sergeant. If CDCs aren't received by November, Airmen should contact their unit WAPS monitor to initiate follow-up actions, said officials.

For more information and a list of testing dates, visit <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/testing>.

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Safeguard yourself against identity theft

Courtesy of OSI

Identify theft is becoming a more prevalent. In order to protect yourself and your assets, consider the following tips:

- Before you reveal any personal identifying information, find out how it'll be used, and whether it'll be shared with others. Ask if you have a choice about the use of your information – can you choose to have it kept confidential?

- Pay attention to your billing cycles. Follow up with creditors if your bills don't arrive on time. A missing credit card bill could mean an identity thief has taken over your credit card account and changed your billing address to cover his tracks.

- Put passwords on your credit card, bank and phone accounts. Avoid using easily available information, like your mother's maiden name, your birth date, the last four digits of your social security number or your phone number.

- Don't give out personal information on the phone, through the mail or over the

Internet, unless you have initiated the contact or know who you're dealing with. Identity thieves may pose as representatives of banks, Internet service providers and even government agencies to get you to reveal your SSN, mother's maiden name, financial account numbers and other identifying information. Legitimate organizations with which you do business have the information they need and won't ask for it.

- Keep items with personal information in a safe place. To thwart an identity thief, who may pick through your trash or recycling bins to capture personal information, tear or shred your charge receipts, copies of credit applications, insurance forms, bank statements, expired charge cards and credit offers you receive in the mail.

- Order a copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting agencies every year. Make sure it's accurate and includes only those activities you've authorized. The law allows credit bureaus to charge you up to \$8.50 for a copy of your credit report.

Retirees to receive more money, compensations

ARLINGTON, Va. – Eligible retirees will begin receiving Individual Unemployment payments and increased Combat-Related Special Compensation adjusted for dependents this month.

Retroactive payment for these entitlements is expected on or about Aug. 30. The Defense Finance and Accounting Service, which manages pay for nearly 2.2 million military retirees and annuitants, plans to notify potential eligible payees by mail prior to issuing these payments.

Additionally, special monthly compensation for eligible retirees is expected to be implemented by Sept. 30. SMC requires additional time, due to required coordination between the military services and DFAS.

Changes to these entitlements result from the 2004 National Defense Authorization Act. Implementation of these increased entitlements has taken several months to allow policy, procedures and eligibility details to be finalized.

For more information on unemployment payments and SMC, visit the Disability Division Web site at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/disability/CRSC/CRSCnew.htm>. **(AFPN)**

Base recognizes June, July Yard of the Month winners

The Hurlburt Field Housing Office is proud to recognize the base housing Yard of the Month selections for June and July. Residents are selected because of their efforts to make their yards beautiful and well-kept. Winners receive \$40 in gift certificates from the 16th Services Squadron and a \$20 gift card from the Hurlburt Field Base Exchange.

June winners:

Petty Officer Third Class and Mrs. Sandor DaSilva

Tech. Sgt. and Mrs. Jeffrey Fischer

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Carlos Perez

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Tony Whitley

July winners:

Maj. and Mrs. David Johnson

1st Lt. and Mrs. Richard Bremer

Tech. Sgt. and Mrs. Robert Hogan

Staff Sgt. and Mrs. Larry Beaty



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Carlotta Holley

Yard of the Month winners were recognized for their efforts in making their yards beautiful and well-kept.

NOTICE:

Air Force Special Operations Command enlisted Airmen will induct former AFSOC Commander Gen. Paul Hester into the Order of the Sword Nov. at the Emerald Coast Conference Center. The general will be recognized for his contributions to the enlisted men and women of AFSOC.

Information about ticket sales for the induction ceremony, which is an enlisted-only event, will be released in the next few weeks.

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Pharmacy fills clinical needs

Courtesy of the 16th MDG

The 16th Medical Group Pharmacy directly supports the Air Force component of unified command conducting worldwide Special Operations missions.

It's responsible for medical support to 7,600 personnel/22,000 patients and the 16th Special Operations Wing by flying 63 combat aircraft.

Primarily, the pharmacy is responsible for monitoring and filling medication prescriptions – sometimes more than 1,000 prescriptions daily – for active-duty, Guard, Reserve service members, retirees and family members.

However, the clinic's responsibilities reach beyond the pill bottles to anything from medication security to infection control.

In fact, about 60 to 65 percent of the workload is outside prescriptions – either for retirees or family members of active-duty members.

Pharmaceutical personnel have numerous areas of responsibility, which include: delivering resources, diagnos-

tics/therapeutics, logistics, readiness, disaster preparedness, patient services, information systems and advanced casualty care.

By ensuring war fighters are healthy and making sure the families are taken care of while the Airmen are deployed, the pharmacy staff does what it can to support the 16th MDG mission.

In order to stay on top of the mission, in the future, the pharmacy would like to continue to improve technology, involving products such as bar coding, to virtually eliminate the possibility of error in the medication filling process.

Not only does the pharmacy lend its services within the 16th MDG clinic, but it's also currently extending its help on a national level. The staff currently has one deployed member as a Third Country National Escort.

So, whether it's taking in another medication prescription request or providing medical support outside the clinic, the pharmacy is doing its part to support its Airmen and their families.



Hurlburt Happenings

Community

LSF correction

The Air Force Special Operations Command Public Affairs office erroneously reported that the AFSOC Logistics Support Flight was a directorate. The Logistics Support Flight was redesignated as the AFSOC Regional Supply Squadron Tuesday.

Clinic closure

The 16th Medical Group will close Aug. 13 at 11 a.m. for wing training. Normal clinic operations will be in effect until 11 a.m. The Eglin Air Force Base emergency room will be open for any emergency needs. Normal clinic operations will resume Monday.

Volunteers needed

The family services loan closet is looking for volunteers from Mondays through Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The loan closet is located at the family support center. For more information, call Heather Gerlach at 884-1533.

AFSA meeting

The Air Force Sergeant's Association, Chapter 567, will hold a general membership meeting Aug. 19 at 3:30 p.m. at the Enlisted Hooch. For more information, call Master Sgt. Mary Gowin at 884-7821 or Senior Master Sgt. Bill Ogden at 884-4957.

Munch and Mend

Munch and Mend is Monday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the base chapel. The event provides a free dinner to Airmen while having repairs, such as sewing on stripes or patches to one article of clothing. For more information, call Bill White at 884-7371 or Jimmie Thomas 881-3344.

Hurricane exercise

Hurlburt Field will conduct a hurricane exercise Aug. 23-26 using real time, 24 hours a day operations. All wing and tenant units will be participating. There should be minimal impact to mission and day-to-day operations, but some delays may occur. Be patient during that week if there is some impact to normal operations. The clinic will be closed on Aug. 25 due to HUREX.

Red cross volunteers

The Hurlburt Field chapter of the American Red Cross is looking for leadership volunteers to help maintain the stations. For more information, call Jim Pugh at 884-6107.

Hurlburt Cub Scouts

Hurlburt Cub Scouts Pack 509 will hold its annual Scout School Night Aug. 17 and 19 in the Florosa Elementary School cafeteria at 7 p.m. All boys – grades first through fifth – new to scouting or are current Cub Scouts, who have just relocated to Hurlburt Field, are welcome to join Pack 509.

Adult volunteers are also needed to assist in any way possible. For more information, attend one of the school nights or call Therese Ammons, cubmaster Pack 509, at 314-6616.

SNCO induction ceremony

The Hurlburt Field Chief's Group and the Top 3 Council will co-sponsor this year's Senior NCO

Induction Ceremony. The event will be held Aug. 27 at 3 p.m. in the Soundside conference center.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Paula Jackson at 884-1233 or Senior Master Sgt. Greg Nabors at 884-4552.

16th LRS inventory

Air Force Special Operations Command units in possession of individual body armor and small arms protective inserts are instructed to report the number of assets on-hand and deployed to the 16th Logistics Readiness Squadron equipment liaison office. This doesn't apply to the old flak vests.

Assets will be added by ELO to the unit's equipment account. Each item will be accounted for individually by the national stock number, which can be determined by calling the 16th LRS ELO at 884-5731/3552.

16th CTPS closure

The 16th Comptroller Squadron will be closed from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today, due to an official function. For emergencies, call 803-3324.

AFOSI seeks new agents

Military members looking to cross train into a challenging and rewarding career field should look no further than becoming a special agent with the Air Force Office of Special Investigations.

Headquarters AFOSI recruiters will conduct a briefing Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the 16th Mission Support Conference Room. There will be scheduled interviews Thursday from 8 to 10 a.m. Interested individuals who attend the Wednesday briefing need to bring a records review with them. A records review can be requested from unit orderly rooms.

Every special agent is a volunteer. They're members of a highly-trained team who investigate crimes against persons and property, defeat and deter base-level and contract fraud, combat threats to our information systems and technologies and provide the Air Force counter-intelligence support for its force protection mission.

For more information on AFOSI special agent duty prior to the team's visit, people can visit www.dtic.mil or call S.A. Soundra Erulug at 884-7254.

Hurlburt Toastmasters

The Hurlburt Toastmasters club is having regular meetings Wednesdays from noon to 1 p.m. in Classroom J at the education center. Toastmasters can help individuals improve and develop their speaking, listening and leadership skills. For more information, call Marty Mears at 884-9130.

Manpower

The 16th Special Operations Wing Manpower and Organization is currently seeking a motivated senior airman to cross train into the manpower, 3U0X1, career field.

The manpower career field incorporates a broad array of duties and responsibilities to include: process improvements, benchmarking, performing core competencies in organizational structure, manpower requirements, determination and performance management.

Prequalifications are good communication skills and a basic knowledge of algebra. For eligibility, contact personnel employments. For more information, call 1st Lt. Louis Carvin at 884-6787.

Air Force TV and Radio News



To check out Air Force TV or Radio News visit: <http://af.feedroom.com> or www.af.mil/news and click on TV or radio to find out what's happening around the Air Force.

Hurlburt Field Chapel



Catholic Mass

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, 7:15 and 10 a.m.
Confessions: Saturday, 4:30 to 5 p.m., or by request.
Youth: 5 p.m. Sunday
Religious Education:
September–May

Protestant Services

Sunday, 8:30 a.m. (praise and worship)
11:30 a.m. (traditional)
12:45 p.m. (Gospel)

Religious Education: August – May
Youth and Singles groups available

Jewish Services (882-2111)

Sabbath services: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Eglin Chapel Center

Muslim Services (882-2111), Eglin Chapel Center

Jumuah: Friday, 12:45 p.m.

For more information, call 884-7795

At the movies



Prices are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Movies start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Hurlburt Field 884-7648

Friday and Sunday – (PG-13) *Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story*, starring Ben Stiller and Vince Vaughn – When corporate workout center Globo Gym moves to town, locally owned fitness center Average Joe's loses business, so that its manager can't make the mortgage payment. Faced with going under, the crew from Joe's enters a high-stakes dodgeball tournament in order to save their cherished local gym.

Saturday – (PG) *Two Brothers*, starring Guy Pearce and Jean-Claude Dreyfus – Twin tigers, one bold and one shy, are born in a city of ruins in French Indochina and are soon captured. The bold brother is forced to become a circus performer, while the shy sibling becomes the companion of a governor's son. But, an accident leads the governor to sell the tiger to an adventurer, and they find themselves reunited, but as forced enemies, pitted against each other in a fighting match.

Eglin 882-1066

Friday, Saturday and Sunday – (PG-13) *White Chicks*, starring Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans – Two FBI agents try to get back into their boss's good graces by taking on a job guarding the Wilton sisters, two New York City hotel heiresses, from a serial kidnapper. They fail, and the two women are abducted. The agents then go undercover, dressing up as the titular "white chicks" to solve the crime and rescue the victims. (Editor's note: Movies are subject to change. Telephone numbers are provided for patrons to confirm dates.)

FSC walk-in hours

The family support center has changed its walk-in hours for deploying individuals to Mondays through Fridays from 1 to 4 p.m. All individuals deploying for more than 30 days must out-process with the FSC. For more information, call the FSC at 884-5441.

Hispanic Heritage Month

The military equal opportunity office is seeking volunteers to assist in organizing, preparing and supporting Hispanic Heritage Month events from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15. Meetings are Wednesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. in the MEO conference room. For more information, call 1st Lt. Angel Lugo at 884-8209 or Staff Sgt. Bill White at 884-5879.

Native American History Month

November is Native American History Month. The military equal opportunity office invites volunteers to assist in organizing, preparing, and supporting events for the observance period. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Dexter Coburn 884-2631.

Classes

Riyadh bombing brief

A Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, bombings briefing will be held at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Tuesday in the base theater. Wallace Braden will provide a personal account of his involvement and lessons learned as a survivor and emergency responder during an Al Qaeda suicide bombing and mass casualty attack on three compounds in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

This multimedia presentation provides valuable lessons for all expeditionary Airmen and gives a graphic depiction of recent events in the Global War on Terrorism. All organizations are encouraged to allow their troops to attend. For more information, call Airman 1st Class Christina Hardy, 16th Civil Engineer Squadron, at 884-4604.

PME testing

The education office will open another testing window the following dates for Professional Military Education testing only: Wednesday, Aug. 18, Aug. 25, Sept. 1, Sept. 8, Sept. 15 and Sept. 29. For more information or to schedule a test, call 884-6724.

Veterans college

The Veterans Upward Bound program at Okaloosa-Walton College is now accepting new students. The program provides free services to U.S. Armed Services veterans of any age, who wish to begin college or earn a high school equivalent diploma.

The program provides: academic refresher courses, free tutoring, skills exploration, preparation for college placement tests, personal assistance with financial aid forms, and career and employment counseling. Qualified applicants may also be eligible for a monthly financial aid stipend. For more information, call 729-4999.

Boating safety course

Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 18 is conducting a boating safety course Aug. 14 at Okaloosa-Walton College Niceville Campus Learning Resource Center, Room 128 from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cost is \$40, which includes a course book and materials. The course is open to those interested in boating activities. Registration is limited. For more information, call Chris Dewey at 582-0366.

ISOC course

The U.S. Air Force Special Operations School is hosting the Introduction to Special Operations Course Aug. 17 – 20. ISOC provides military and civilian members a joint understanding of Special Operation Forces. For information on seat availability, call Joyce Weber at 884-4731. For information on ISOC, call 1st Lt. Lowell Wiggins at 884-6861.

Sub-Saharan African course

The U.S. Air Force Special Operations School is hosting a Sub-Saharan African Orientation Course Aug. 16 – 20. The course is designed for personnel preparing to live in or deploy to this region. For more information, call Joyce Weber at 884-4731.

CCAF graduation deadline

The deadline to apply for the fall Community College of the Air Force graduation is Aug. 27. For more information, visit the education office.

OU course

The University of Oklahoma is offering a new innovative Interpersonal Dynamics course Monday through Aug. 15. This one-week course explores effective communication techniques, which apply to personal interactions and studies gender, cultural and family differences. For more information, e-mail aphurlburt@ou.edu.

U of A degree

The University of Arkansas at Hurlburt Field is offering a Master of Science with a major in Operations Management. Registration for term one is now through Tuesday. For more information, call Sherry DelCastillo at 884-3844.

HAWC classes

To reserve a seat in the following health and wellness center classes or for more information, call 884-4292. All classes are free of charge and held in Building 90232.

Healthy Living Workshop – Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.

Body Composition Improvement Program – Tuesday, 1 p.m.

Diabetic Nutrition Follow-up – Wednesday, 9 a.m.

Lean on Me – Wednesday, 10:30 a.m.

Body Composition Improvement Program Follow-up – Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Eating Heart Healthy – Thursday, 9 a.m.

Lean and Healthy Eating – Thursday, 1 p.m.

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Kids learn the basics, art of Tae Kwon Do

Story and photos by Airman James Dickens
Public Affairs

Kids are learning the basics of Tae Kwon Do at the youth center from a former four-time Air Force champion and two-time armed forces Tae Kwon Do champion.

Keith Young, master instructor, isn't only teaching more than 20 children the basics and funda-

mentals of his art, he's teaching them things that will help them in life.

"I'm trying to teach them to appreciate the art part more," said Mr. Young. "This will teach them many things that will help them in the future. Things like work ethic and values."

The value of competing is another thing Mr. Young hopes to instill in the kids during their practice sessions.

"With a structured workout that will help children build mental and physical strength, they'll be ready to compete in the Junior Olympics, which is a big goal," said Mr. Young.

They're planning to journey to Minnesota to compete in the Junior Olympic competitions next July.

"Attending these competitions is like a chess match with your body, a kinetic chess match, because with every move there is a counter move for it," said Mr. Young.

Classes run year round Mondays and Wednesdays from 5 to 6 p.m. at the youth center. For more information, call the youth center at 884-6355.



A Tae Kwon Do student kicks during training.



Photo by Karen DeCarlo

Strike!

A sergeant from the 20th Special Operations Squadron, bowls a 300 game during the 2003-2004 National Intramural Bowling League season, which runs from Sept. to May. He was also the only participant known to bowl an 800 series. Four other league participants were 300 game bowlers: Master Sgt. Terry Adams, 16th Component Maintenance Squadron; Master Sgt. Robert Love, Commando Pride Airman's Center; Steffen Paul, 16th Civil Engineer Squadron and Tom Johnson, retired Navy. For more information or to sign up for the 2004 season, contact your squadron's sports representative.

Sports Poll

What college football team has the best shot at the BCS National Championship?

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| ■ LSU | ■ Florida |
| ■ Oklahoma | State |
| ■ USC | ■ Texas |
| ■ Michigan | ■ Georgia |
| ■ Miami | ■ Ohio State |
| ■ Florida | ■ Other |

To place your vote or to give feedback about the new weekly poll, e-mail Airman James Dickens at james.dickens@hurlburt.af.mil. The results will be posted in next week's paper.



Sports shorts

Men's baseball league

The Okaloosa Men's Baseball League is kicking off with registration Aug. 15 at 3 p.m. at the Twin Oaks baseball field in Niceville for the 18 and over, and 30 and over divisions. The Twin Oaks Baseball Field is located on U.S. Highway 85 North, just north of College Boulevard.

The registration process will include the collection off fees and a short baseball workout session.

League fees are \$100 for all players. The final day of registration is Aug. 22 at 3 p.m.

For more information, call the league hotline at 864-7529.

Bowling coach course

Hurlburt Lanes is sponsoring a level one Bowling Coach Certification course Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The cost is \$55 per person and

must be paid at the time of registration. Space is limited to 30 people. For more information, call Hurlburt Lanes Bowling Center at 884-6941.

Men, women's basketball

Varsity men and womens basketball sign-up begins Monday. Over 30, 3-on-3 begins Tuesday. For more information, call Christopher Myers at 884-6884.